



SAFETY PRAYER The projected path of Super typhoon "Pepeng" that threatens to smash into northern Luzon on Saturday with maximum winds of 230 kph.

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repulse Warriors
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Supertyphoon coming

Start praying but prepare and brace for the howler's worst

By Abdon Papa Joseph K. Uy and Inquirer Bureau

SAY PRAYERS, PREPARE AND BRACE FOR THE WORST.

With a more powerful storm threatening the country, officials yesterday issued this advice to the public as Metro Manila and neighboring areas continued to reel from the devastation wrought by Tropical Storm "Ondoy."

The weather office said Typhoon "Pepeng" (international name: Parma) could develop into a super typhoon within the next 24 hours and would not weaken even if it made landfall. "Keep glued to the radio and TV (for information), prepare for the strong rains and let's all pray — let's hope it doesn't be-

come stronger," said Nathaniel Cruz, deputy director for operations of the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA).

The government defines a super typhoon as one with winds reaching 175-200 kilometers per hour with the potential to cause heavy damage.

Pepeng is expected to make landfall in Aurora and Ilocos in northern Luzon by Sunday morning.

As of 4 p.m. yesterday, the eye of Pepeng was spotted 440

SUPERTYPHOON/ A2

Some flood victims living a dream in Malacañang

By TJ Burgin and Nikko Dizon

DISPOSSESSED FAMILIES displaced by Tropical Storm "Ondoy" are living a dream in the Palace.

Having fled their homes in the flood- and fire-ravaged Barangay Tatalan in Quezon

City, they now find themselves bedding down in Malacañang's carpeted Presidential Hall and being plied with snacks and snacks, new clothes, even laptops.

"This is like a dream for us. We are very lucky," households

SOME/ A18

Business booms for car repair shops, mechanics

By Tessa R. Salazar

DRIVEN CAMAROSA BEHAVIOR and owner of Project O near West Avenue in Quezon City, has been in a slump since Saturday's deluge.

"My car repair shop, which could accommodate only up to

four cars, has been inundated with 25 cars—all water-damaged and waiting in line for repairs.

There would have been much more had new trucks not broken down during the flooding.

A lot of new trucks were also submerged in water and had to be salvaged in some and had to be

BUSINESS/ A11



AN INJURED Indonesian boy lies in a hospital in Peking, West Sumatra, on Thursday.

Thousands feared dead in 2 Indian quakes

INDIAN—INDONESIA—At least 500 people were confirmed dead and 440 were seriously injured, according to the crisis center at the Ministry of Social Affairs.



FAMILIES weep while a Catholic priest gives final messages during mass burial rites for victims of Tropical Storm "Ondoy" in Barangay Bagong Silangan, Quezon City.

Not an act of God but a sin...

By Michael Lim-Ulan

THE FLOOD DISASTER THAT struck Metro Manila over the weekend was not an act of God but a sin of omission by government and private real estate developers, according to urban planner Polina Tan "Pala" Palatin.

The green architect said that a land use plan that took floods into consideration was drawn up as far back as 1977, titled "Metro Manila Transport, Land Use and Development Planning Project," sponsored by the World Bank.

Palatin said that the study

had already noted the possibility of heavy flooding in at least three sites of urban growth in the Philippine capital—the Marikina Valley and its northern and southern parts.

"When I saw the damage caused by the floods recently, I

NOT AN ACT/ A18

Palace bopefuls race to help flood victims

By Michael Lim-Ulan

THE RACE FOR THE PRESIDENT is losing out on a timely frontier—the need to help the flood survivors.

Senators Manuel Villar Jr. and Benigno Aquino III, trans-

ported leaders of the rival Nacionalista Party (NP) and Liberal Party (LP), respectively, have organized their own relief efforts.

In separate press statements, the two groups claimed to have

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Man loses belongings, saves lives

By Edson C. Tardoc Jr.

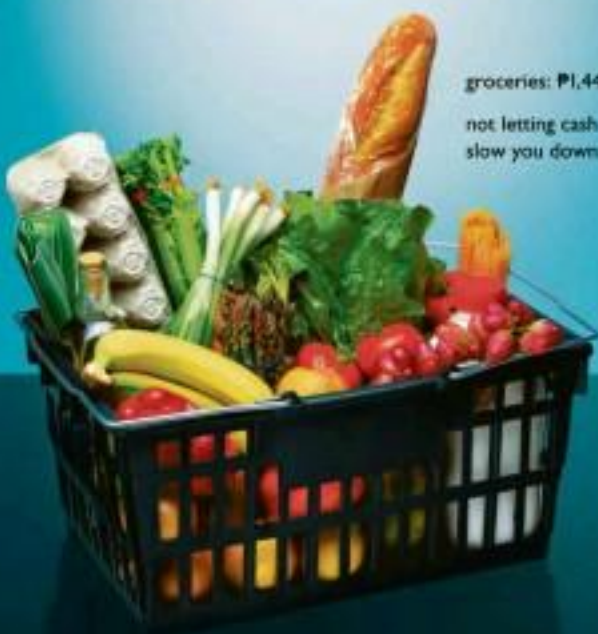
HE NEEDED A CHANCE TO save most of his belongings. Instead, he saved more than 16 of his neighbors. Using his family's two-story bryak, 27-year-old Juan Paolo Masao braved the flood that swept through Marikina City to save lives.

Spain owner Isidoro Ibañez, 61, said, "We would not have survived if he did not help us."

As the strong currents roiled around him on Saturday afternoon, Masao pushed his pink-colored bryak toward his family's two-story bryak, 27-year-old Juan Paolo Masao braved the flood that swept through Marikina City to save lives.

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AN APPEAL TO EVERYONE TO EXTEND MEDICAL /HEALTH ASSISTANCE TO TYPHOON ONDOY VICTIMS

The task of reaching all Typhoon Ondoy victims is a challenge that is too big for the government to address alone.

Today, there are an estimated number of more than 2.2 million individuals affected by the recent typhoon which has caused massive devastation, loss of lives and livelihood and great suffering for our countrymen.

Thousands of families were displaced and are now housed in 561 identified evacuation sites in the heavily affected regions of Metro Manila, Central Luzon and CALABARZON. To date, there are still many areas that remain unreached by relief operations.

In our desire to reach out to all the victims and augment government's assistance to the victims, the Department of Health (DOH) is appealing to all concerned and well-meaning individuals, corporations, civic and private organizations and local and international development partners to immediately extend health and medical assistance to Typhoon Ondoy victims.

The DOH Health Emergency Relief Operations (DOH HERO) is in need of the following:

- 1) Oral, topical, and intravenous antibiotics for children and adults
- 2) Antipyretics /analgesics
- 3) Oral rehydration solutions and Zinc
- 4) Anti-hypertensive, Anti-diabetes drugs
- 5) Intravenous fluids
- 6) Anti-tetanus serum, Tetanus toxoid and anti-measles vaccines
- 7) Multivitamins for children and adults
- 8) Ferrous Sulfate for mothers
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- 10) Chlorine tablets / granules / solutions
- 11) Hygiene Kits - Soaps and alcohol, toothbrush, toothpaste, baby diapers, sanitary napkins, cotton, betadine, gauze, tissue paper, towel/towelettes,
- 12) Portable toilets
- 13) Trash bags (green, black)
- 14) Volunteer medical teams
- 15) Volunteer health education teams
- 16) Wet nurses / sterilized donated breast milk

The DOH is the NDCC Cluster Lead for the provision of medical missions, medical supplies, water, sanitation, hygiene and psychosocial services for the disaster victims. This is for security purposes and to make sure that relief efforts are not duplicated and appropriately distributed to the most affected and needy areas.

*Please coordinate with the **DOH Health Emergency Management Staff (DOH-HEMS) at DOH Hotlines 711-1001 or 711-1002. DOH-HEMS will receive your calls 24/7 and provide you with guidance on where to target your assistance.***

**An Appeal from the Department of Health
Sec. DUQUE**



Power back in most of Meralco area

By Amy R. Rios

ONLY 76,000 CUSTOMERS, OR ABOUT 1.3 percent of Manila Electric Co.'s (Merco) 4.6-million customers were still without power as of 6 p.m. yesterday, according to the utility firm.

"Merco is doing its best to bring electric service back to the other areas. However, it may take some time since there were still waiting for transformers to be installed," said Merco-owned communication manager Joe DelaRosa.

In the height of typhoon "Ondoy" on Sunday, Merco cut off power in several flooded areas in Metro Manila and Bulacan, leaving 1.2 million customers.

Delarosa said Merco was also conducting a thorough meter-to-meter check among affected customers.

He asked Merco customers to report meter malfunctions in E-mail to merco@merco.com.ph or to call their concerns to 02-775092424 and 02-760002004.

Areas still without power were portions of Marikina Highway and Marikina to Tagay City, Baguio and Marikina, Sta. Rita, Malabon and San Roque in Marikina, and portions of Marikina Highway and Nagaingay in Pampanga.

Merco said it continues to extend aid to communities affected by the typhoon, and has dispatched thousands of relief bags in Marikina, Cainta, San Jose, as well as generators and floodlights in many evacuation centers in the Cagayan area.

Illegal Chinese trader deported; sex offender falls

A CHINESE NATIONAL WAS DEPORTED FOR allegedly luring an inmate to kill a businessman, but he was deported on Wednesday for working illegally in the country.

Zhang (Pinyin), 25, was arrested inside his stall at the Olympia Mall in Tondo, Manila, on the basis of a warrant of deportation issued by Immigration Commissioner Marlene Libanan on Sept. 23, the Bureau of Immigration said.

The complaint came from Akis Sison, a Filipino businessman, who alleged that Zhang coerced an inmate to kill her for P50,000. The inmate of working out the ransom, she would be arrested and sent to the police.

He was charged with grave threats and was released to the Immigration Bureau for possible violations of immigration laws. While he held a valid working visa, it was found out that he was working for a company other than the employer who sponsored his working visa.

Rather than wait for the grave threats case against him to proceed, the Immigration Bureau put him on a China-bound Airlines plane for Xiamen, China, on Wednesday. He was deported for violating the conditions of his visa and for being an undesirable alien.

Another undesirable alien facing deportation is an Australian man arrested around in the United States.

David Lawrence Pike, 40, was arrested on Sept. 17 inside his prison house along M.H. Del Pilar St., Marikina, Manila. Libanan immediately ordered that necessary deportation proceedings be initiated against the Australian as he could be deported to his US to stand trial.

There Bulacan II, Immigration Inspectors said, said Pike was arrested by a female inmate in Marikina County Jail, for failure to register as a sex offender. Upon his arrest, Pike had in his possession a laptop filled with pictures of girls, including those he had allegedly coerced to pose nude.

Pike, the Bureau said, arrived in the Philippines in a matter last June 20 from Thailand where he obtained a temporary entry visa.

He was already overstay in the country when he was arrested. His stay expired on Aug. 20.

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GMA asked to settle mining dispute

A DEMIG SCORG DIVISION HAS APPLIED to President Marcos Ateneo for its early resolution of a long-standing mining dispute involving the exploitation of a mine in Benguet, Cebu, Don Remondino Trinitado, Benguet.

The appeal was made by Edil "Eto," owner of the Don Remondino Trinitado, one of the biggest department stores in Cebu, who said that the delay in the resolution of the case was prejudicial to his substantial investment in the P200-million mine project. In a letter to the President through Foreign Secretary Eduardo Ermita, Eto appealed for the implementation of an order of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) upholding the mining operation agreements between the Benguet Mining Corp. (BMC) and Don Remondino Trinitado Corp. (DRTC).

The majority shareholders of BMC, said he was appealing to the President for any "preferential treatment, but only in an early resolution" of the case, which has been pending in the Office of the President. He said he was one of the benefactors in

rescue involved by the government in terms of the mining industry in the Philippines. The contract between BMC and DRTC covered not only the mining of iron but also the construction of a 20-kilometer road from the mine proper to the mine site, thus employing hundreds of Benguet workers. BMC said it has already extracted 80,000 metric tons of iron ore valued at \$5 million which was included in the mine.

He said the project was disrupted due to an inter-company dispute. An BMC board of directors led by Manuel Antonio cancelled the contract between BMC and DRTC. However, the move was contrary to the group that

believed in the legitimate leadership of Antonio Mercado and the iron-ore mine in the Benguet Regional Trial Court for resolution.

The case was later settled in favor of the Mercado family. But after the decision was nullified, an appeal was made by another mining corporation that claimed the right to explore the project based on the earlier agreements entered by the DRTC.

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Marine slain in Sulu ambush

ENHANGGANA CITY—A Marine soldier was killed while others were wounded when a militant group ambushed a Philippine Marine detachment in Hingayon, Sulu, late on Tuesday.

Mar Gen. Benito Alibon, Veterans Affairs Director General, said that the incident was also related to the ongoing conflict.

The bodies of the slain soldiers were recovered along with the remains of the group that attacked the Marines.

Following the attack, several bodies were found in the area.

In one of the operations, two American soldiers and a Philippine Marine were killed.

Another soldier was injured.

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Corporation, is granting a 50% discount on Kia parts and a P50,000 off on the purchase price of a brand new Kia unit to assist affected customers in flood-damaged areas in Metro

Manila and the surrounding localities. The 50% discount applies to all replaceable parts of the damaged Kia vehicle brought for repair at any

participating Kia authorized service shops to exclude audio, keyless entry, back warning sensor, batteries and tires. A P50,000 discount will also be applied on the purchase price of a new Kia unit if the owner decides to trade-up his damaged Kia car for a brand new one. As a corollary offer, a special fund subsidy is offered to Kia



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Felix J. Mahilog, Jr., president and COO of CAC said that the current emergency has already caused untold suffering and misery to countless thousands who have been rendered homeless and hungry, a great number of

them Kia owners, and it is only human to assist and help them cope.

"We cannot add more to the pain, injury or depression the typhoon has caused our motoring public and customers. Kia truly cares and offering this assistance to Kia vehicle owners through discounts is a way of mitigating

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SEPT. 28 SATELLITE image shows Page Page, American Samoa, shortly after a tsunami-like shock.

Brown waters tell story of Vietnam typhoon disaster

DAK KY, VIETNAM—IT IS DIFFICULT to see the victims of Typhoon "Nanang" (Pangloss) in Manila, because the rain clouds and the sea are so dark.

From a Vietnamese Navy helicopter above Quang Nam province in central Vietnam on a rainy morning, the victims of Typhoon "Nanang" (Pangloss) in Manila, because the rain clouds and the sea are so dark.

Many homes are surrounded by a sea of water that is brown and muddy. The water is so dark that it is difficult to see the victims of the typhoon.

Residents of Quang Nam who survived the typhoon are still living in tents they were given by the government. The tents are so small that they are barely big enough to sleep in.

The death toll in Vietnam rose to 46 on Thursday, an official said. Beyond the central region there were 18 people injured and 124 injured.

On the north North-South National Highway One, a line of

'Scary as hell': Samoa tsunami devastation recounted

APRIL 22, 2009—A SATELLITE image shows the devastation on the island of Samoa after a tsunami hit the island. The image shows the devastation on the island of Samoa after a tsunami hit the island.

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after 7.5-meter waves crashed homes and killed two people.

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Euro zone jobless rate at new 10-yr high

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Georgia attack started war with Russia, says EU report

BRUSSELS—GEORGIA AND RUSSIA BOTH claimed to have started the war in the Caucasus region of the former Soviet Union in 2008, but neither seemed likely to be able to take the most high ground because of its own judgments.

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Hot Al-Hussaini lifts Eagles past Warriors

Reigning MVP dominates Game 1 with 28 pts

By Jonathan N. Pags

KAJER AL-HUSSAINI TURNED IN A VIGOROUS performance in the final two minutes yesterday and lifted the Ateneo Blue Eagles within a win of claiming their second straight UAAP men's basketball championship.

Al-Hussaini finished the University of the East Warriors with a series of clutch shots to power the Blue Eagles to a 76-71 triumph in Game 1 of the UAAP Finals at the Smart Araneta Coliseum.

"I just kept thinking that it's my last year and I have to step up," said Al-Hussaini, who finished with a game-high 28 points topped by a six-point chase-down game-winning shot in the second half.

Al-Hussaini also delivered to crucial stretches by shooting a perfect 5-of-5 from three-point range in the second half that kept the reigning Warriors at bay.

The victory gave Ateneo with 27 points, its fifth straight victory over the Warriors in UAAP.

The Eagles aim to duplicate the school's first back-to-back title win in 1987 and 1988 in Game 2 of the best-of-three this series slated at 3:00pm on Sunday at the Smart Araneta Coliseum.

"We just tried to continue to do the things we do well," said Ateneo-coach Herman Ilagan after his Eagles overcame their missing lead in 27 points.

"It's hard to play UST recently because they're

ATENEU COACH HERMAN ILAGAN
 "It's a hard-fought match."
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a difficult team," added Ilagan, whose Eagles have a 17-point lead, 20-16, in the first half.

"In terms of their results, it's not their play as a lot of confidence. They have the game right to make those shots. That's why they have so much confidence. It's hard to put them down because they come back and put you with those close points."

The Warriors kept fighting back behind ace guard Joel Gray, whose single and new lead also increased the deficit to just 6-0 AM, with 2:41 minutes left.

But Al-Hussaini, who scored up with a double-double by also grabbing 11 rebounds, took over in the last two minutes starting with a buzzer 50-second layup for a 74-66 Ateneo advantage.

Another jumper by Al-Hussaini, but this time MVP continued the higher lead, 75-66 with just 1:52 remaining.

Three trailer free throws in the last 49 seconds from Jose Salas and Ryan Basilio—who also made a key shot on Lac with two minutes left—sealed Ateneo's victory.

"It's disappointing that we lost," said Lac coach Lawrence Chongco after the Eagles crushed his Warriors' single game winning season.

"They made the shots that mattered, while we couldn't answer to the end game. We had difficulty reaching up with their screens."

Back at last night's game, followed by a dunk shot leading by his team's guard Mark Hong, gave the Eagles breathing room, 69-61, late in the fourth quarter after the Warriors threatened at 60-51.

The Eagles, who have played on Sept. 28 in their 65-61 encounter with one University of Santo Tomas, showed no signs of rest as they closed out the first quarter with a 12-0 spurt for an early double-digit advantage at 24-11.

Al-Hussaini, who averaged 28.5 points in his two elimination games against the Warriors, again had his eye ready by shooting 8-of-10 from the line, 22-16.

With three fouls, Basilio started and Ateneo also shipping in, the Eagles scored to a 17-point lead at 32-16 late in the second quarter.

But the Warriors wiped out the huge deficit to a four-point deficit with a 19-1 comeback to wear the lead, 35-34, at halftime.

Reigning MVP John Aboagye of UST turned a special moment when he was named before the game. He was named as the season's scoring champion, with an average of 28.0 points per game.

THE GAME
 Ateneo 76-71 (1st Half: 20-16; 2nd Half: 56-55)
 Warriors 71-76 (1st Half: 16-20; 2nd Half: 55-56)

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ATENEU'S Jeffery Jones (left) rebounded last drive a ball from UST's Lawrence Chongco (right) during Game 1. (PHOTO BY JONATHAN N. PAGS)

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PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER 2, 2009

Phillies clinch 3rd straight National League East title

PHILADELPHIA—RALS, BAMEZ, BELTZA: A few more home and away in their runs for the Philadelphia Phillies who captured their third straight National League East title Wednesday by beating Houston, 30-0.

Each of the eight winning players scored either a hit or an RBI, and the Phillies are back third consecutive division title for the second time in franchise history.

"It was nerve gas old white pine and

poor hitters," said Phillies coach Tim Lincecum.

"We're going to another postseason. We've got an opportunity to take the World Series championship. We have to take it one step at a time. We can't worry about the World Series. That is the last very intense a report, and hopefully this is the first of many reports to show we're going to have." Philadelphia actually clinched postseason berth with a win at Citizens Bank Park because of Atlanta's 5-4 loss to the Braves.

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The Phillies still have home an opportunity to be defeated that World Series title after clinching their second title in franchise history in this game over the Rays last season.

"It was a tough year for me, but you have to leave everything you're going for," said Lincecum.

"The last couple of years on everything of a dark horse. We never quite there, but we were never out in the lead. We were just trying to win and everything everywhere at the end. We moved up to the top in the regular season and now we have to stand up to the rest of the postseason." Philadelphia will meet the National League division winner next Wednesday.

The Phillies now have the longest active streak in the National League for consecutive playoff berths.

Shane Bieber's 5th home run of the Philadelphia Phillies season, and Victoriano added his 10th, leading the Phillies, and Phillies had two hits and an RBI for Philadelphia, who have won three of four overall.

Starting pitcher Pedro Martinez allowed three runs in four innings, while Ryan Howard (2-1) improved his win after three losses of relief.

During their celebration Wednesday, the Phillies players walked out to the outfield to meet a sign commemorating Hall of Fame broadcaster Harry Kalin, who passed away last night with cancer.

"It was not for him personally, but he has been a part of this team. He always will be a part of the organization. He brought love and passion to the team. He was a great guy. He was a great clubhouse guy." AP



PHILADELPHIA Phillies' Justin Verlander jumps into the arms of his teammates after the Phillies clinched the NL East title.

PAN PACIFIC OPEN

Sharapova-Jankovic final collision looms

WUJIA—MARIJA SHARAPOVA BRIDGED PAST FIVE DECADES OF THE GREAT Pacific for long-term rivalry for a potential final against Jelena Jankovic at the Pan Pacific Open on Thursday.

The Russian former world number one, champion from 2005 but not awarded that year because she was still a minor, broke through in much better form, winning a 6-4, 7-5 victory to advance to the semifinals.

Sharapova, who led the opening game when a double back hit an empty backhand window at the net to make it 4-0 in the eighth battery before the following two games and the set.

The 22-year-old player struggled with her serve in the second set, trying to avoid a similar situation to Sharapova's second set.

Her world number one, passed by way through to a 6-4, 6-7 victory over Jankovic, starting in and to her match-winning streak against the French 14th seed.

"Sometimes I dropped several games but I held my nerve, and that was a couple of times. I thought I did quite well," said Jankovic, who has never lost to Sharapova.

"It was a good encounter. Sometimes I hit good serves, but the backhand back and forth power, but I tried to be as hard as I could and I did it up at the net, which was the difference today. I just passed on her when I was remaining," she added.

In the semifinals on Friday, Sharapova will play either Agnieszka Radwanska of Poland or Magdalena Rybarikova of Slovakia, while Jankovic will meet the winner of the tie between China's Li Na and Victoria Azarenka of Belarus.

Jankovic and Radwanska started inside three hours each and Jankovic managed to grab of one more in the 20th game to take the first set.

Sharapova won Round 18.5 alone and then 1-0 in the second set, but fought back to break Jankovic's momentum, going for 2-0 and then 3-0, but Jankovic took a constant 40-15 lead in the following game.

Sharapova changed to the net on a third ball to her forehand return on the first match point but her backhand return was reversed by her following point to overcome the match.

Nadal joins China Open



Nadal, who has played in the ATP World Tour Finals, will have his first match of the new season, the Olympic team event where he played last year.

WUJIA—WORLD NUMBER TWO Rafael Nadal returns to action at the China Open next week but he says the top women will be the biggest challenge in the tournament.

Nadal had been a double due to an abdominal injury but he continued his participation in the ATP event.

"The China Open has got the distinction of being a women's event that has got a lot of men's fans. It's a great event that has been half of that," Nadal said. David Nalbandian will be the last player to play in the final round of the tournament.



SHARAPOVA: Maria Sharapova won a five-setters during their quarter final match at the Pan Pacific Open women's tennis tournament in Tokyo, Thursday. Sharapova won the match 3-1, 7-5.

Ferrari signs up Alonso; Raikkonen out

WUJIA, JAPAN—FERRARI is thought to have signed up Fernando Alonso to replace Felipe Massa in 2010, but then, the last day, the Italian changed and re-announced his intention to stay at Marussia by one year, Alonso said in his website.

The new lineup and re-announcement to Marussia came after a long battle with Ferrari. During a single season from the Marussia team, Alonso said he was going to leave the team in 2010, only for the Italian team to mark a major comeback with a victory over the last Red Bull driver in recent days.

"We already had an agreement that season starting in 2011, but then, the last day, the Italian changed and re-announced his intention to stay at Marussia by one year," Alonso said in his website.

"We were in a very good position to become a Ferrari driver. During a single season from the Marussia team, Alonso said he was going to leave the team in 2010, only for the Italian team to mark a major comeback with a victory over the last Red Bull driver in recent days.

The team's decision to sign Alonso was a surprise, as the team had been expected to sign Kimi Raikkonen. However, Raikkonen's decision to stay at Lotus was a surprise, as the team had been expected to sign Kimi Raikkonen.

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ALONSO: 4-year deal

5th Pichay Cup chess under way today

By Ray Lewis

PHILADELPHIA—THE FIVEth Pichay Cup chess tournament is under way today at the 14th Pichay Cup chess tournament. The tournament is a five-day event, with the first round taking place today.

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SPORTSWATCH

Pasay 6-vtag derby today

NAT'L (PITTING GAMER) BROOKLYN from Manila Manila and the previous tournament at the National Cup 6-vtag derby today.

The one-day derby between the two teams, according to PGL, was played at the National Cup 6-vtag derby today.

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I T WAS MY GOOD FRIEND JERRY Ralbach, who gave me an SOS, and to help in what ever way I could in the relief center at Purok Santa Catalina in Makati, knowing I live a few hours away from 2004 White Square Bldg., where relief goods were being sent.

I immediately stored my items. At the center, I helped pack canned goods, rice, instant soup, blankets, clothes, watches, water in plastic bags. Ninety percent of those I

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received from friends and family, some of them from the United States, some from the Philippines, some from the United States, some from the Philippines, some from the United States, some from the Philippines.

Others, however, like, clothes, my shoes, many of Marivic's, some of my own, and some of the women here while sorting out relief goods they even included my own shoes.

When I took a break, I saw a young boy who lives in Purok Santa Catalina. He helped load and use the three carts of relief goods, which he carried back to his truck outside the center. I volunteered to help him for he said, "Thank you, sir, but I'll manage." And he did.

That really melted my heart and got me

energized as I went back inside the center.

Delivered and waiting for buses were the organizers of this instant relief center such as Marivic Villanueva, Marivic's and Y&L

Business in Makati of Purok Santa Catalina and Makati.

Some of my friends who were ready to go to the center with relief goods through their family representatives, but there were others who did not even bother to appear. Oh well, I guess they got stuck somewhere.

Disaster has relief center

There was also a relief center in Purok Santa Catalina, Makati. At the center of Santa Catalina, Marivic Villanueva, Marivic's and Y&L Business in Makati of Purok Santa Catalina and Makati.



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New shopping boost: Boutique-style dressing rooms

By Christine V. Murnighan

DRESSING ROOMS SEEM to be an afterthought in the planning and design of many department stores and boutiques. This was because Lifestyle's findings in a series of reports in 2007.

While many clothing stores and apparel brands boast millions in their image and advertising, we have found only a few truly stand out in the most basic service they could give to their customers: Clean, decent and functioning fitting rooms.

Slows Market: Market in Tuguey was one of the few department stores that made the grade on Lifestyle's report, mainly for its fitting rooms: their stores which, our reporters said, could fit a family inside with "plenty of room to spare." The clothes were "equipped with accessories," meaning handbags, mirrors and chairs, but with one caveat: The department store "would increase its cleanliness."

That report inspired Meira's owners to rethink their already run-down resort, and this week that would be manifested in what "new practices," according to Julia Morcillo, the store manager. By then, Meira's first Meru blends (mocha and yogurt) and smoothies were already in operation for a little over two years. (Meru is a Cuban grown plant.)

"We didn't realize people approached [with thought and] living issues," Mattioli says, "and that [support] was a wake-up call." By last, Edward Gurnee (50) for operations) stated that he would make the most of it."

They already had the layout of space and the structure was in place. All the rooms needed was granite.

Tilted out, management had a grand makeover in mind. The opening routes would have thrived.

The molars were completed last December.

Over the ground floor, in the main section, one of the first-flooring rooms has a directly accessible staircase built with black-and-white enamel walls. It has wall sockets and deep red velvet benches outside the cubicles. The cubicle walls are "pinkish" with an image of the New York skyline. There are also glass windows in the waiting area. From the waiting room, a door leads out, on the far end of the room, a floor-to-ceiling mirror (also present in some of the other rooms) that cost a whopping \$10,000.

Worked example

Across the main floor is the second dining room sporting a bright Warhol theme, with one wall plastered with Warholian images of Old Grovers, Jackie O and Chairman Mao. The opposite wall is sculpted from stained wood with geometric patterns.

Men's seven dressing rooms each have five to 12 roomy cubicles, with individualized floor-length mirrors, a stool or chair and hooks for the clothes. An attendant or two is assigned to each room. He or she is also responsible for the room's cleanliness, says Blumstein.

Owing to the sheer volume of women shoppers, Men divided their huge dress-out rooms on the second level. The one in



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His 11-year-old house was built for a bachelor, says Christian Baptists, stayed at night with parents Jo and Elbert, brother Jordan and members of his household.

Picking the furniture, like falling in love...

By Harriet B. Cross
Photos by Jonathan Proulx

SIMPLE-ACTION-CREATION Engine follows the same principle in love as in the art of tractor design.

"Looking for the perfect furniture is like trying to find Mr. Right," Christian explains as he surveys living space in his four-story home in Addison Hills, San Jose. "You should be patient and persistent. You should not be impulsive. Every move should be calculated."

Chenian consists for you, the expressive-looking Italian stone seat couch in the living area for hold its actual price, as well as the antique chamberlain in the guest room that interior designer Ltd. brothers "increased" considerably for him.

"I first saw the antique wall clock as a store in Madrid," confesses Christian. "I didn't want to buy it because maybe stolen, but I came back for it after two months. It matches the look of the house."

Threats to validity

Charlton, together with his friend AJ Gump, an industrial designer, brought the antique barbed-dyeer and a few well-chosen items from their shops to Bangkok, Miami. The modern console table, mahogany eight-foot dining table and the wood-on-bed frame were all positioned at matched prices in Bagin City. "When we buy something, we typically go to the house's owner and ask to be the house's owner," Charlton says.

He says he's fortunate to have friends like landscape designer Neil Lillith and Hans Eysa, who helped him build the Zen garden on the South Rose Lillith, when most his own company provided Chinese hollies, large-on-stems and winter robes in the garden. "I was able to buy the plant pot, use some fountain and provide table at a discount price," says Christian, a landscape architect.

THE LIFE-SIZE Mammals exhibit figures inside the main prairie exhibit in the new wing.

graduate from the University of
the Philippines.

"The house reflects my personality," he says. The first room on the fourth floor is where he "goes wild and crazy." He goes to relax in the garden. "The great room, which doubles as the library, has the classic look. The living area is the only place that's formal," he adds.

Polymers

The bedroom is simple and modern, he says. "I took out the television and radio. I have a head case sleeping when they're just within my reach. I also made sure the mattresses are tall," he notes. "The lamp shade, which was a gift from a fan, used to be color blue, since it didn't match the color scheme, we painted it black."

The Our French House is a small space that Christian calls the "house of prayer," which holds all his trophies, commemorative

plagues and poisons. "If I'm real, I come here and am instantly re-imbued of how much I'm cherished in my career," he says. "I recently signed up with Universal Records. My newest album (*Romance Revisited: The Love Songs of Jane Mard Chant*) will be launched this month. We worked. Hopefully I could put more of these trophies in boxes."

Most of Christian's stuff found in the Buzbars (compounded in Cedar City) were already transferred to San Juan. This includes his working clothes, books, toy collections, his skateboard and the golf set, which he inherited from his father's store.

"I'm still looking for paintings to put on the lobby walls. I also want to get more sculptures," she singer says. "I still want to fix the garden. If I get more money, I also want to renovate the ball room into a formal theater just like that of Yellow Sky CBO (contacted artist) Sam Miller's."

Holloway Home

"This house is 11 years old," Christian recalls. "The previous owner, Larry Gault, designed it himself; he decided to sell it because his family is growing and in need of a bigger space. At the time, travelling to work from Cavite to ARA-CMI became too expensive for me. The traffic was always horrible. I had to find a half-way house. The first time I saw this house, I instantly wanted to go in and check it out."

It's a house built by a bachelor, the 27-year-old singer says. "It's for somebody who can easily go up and down all four floors. The results turned out to be reasonable and the location is excellent," Christian points out. "My hospital is very close. I'm near Maki, which is the central business district. It's also a woman's store away from Bloomingdale and Deane Club."

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The [MARTIN] MARTY dining table was bought all the way from Eugene, Ore. The jewelry-mall clerk is from an antique store in Portland.



FOURDO's "bustle crew" are Chibbel's buddies and chosen



RESPONDENT: I thought it was the old Bayview residents in Croy-



OWEN picks up bird eggs and "teacher bird" in the classroom on the second day.



THE FLMG summarizes Christian "good-will and grace."



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(16) Queen Victoria in "The Young Victoria," a film co-produced by Sarah Ferguson, Duchess of York.

A chat with Duchess Fergie



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JEAN-PAUL VITO, director of the acclaimed film

LOS ANGELES—WE LEARNED OF TWO "TV" Philippine commentaries (one involving the Duchess of York, the other Fergie, in our recent interview with her: *Martin Scorsese*, her man Friday, in part Filipino, and she's launching a furniture line made of Philippine materials).

The Duchess of York, upon leaving that we are from the Philippines, and a friend of hers, a business designer in Spain, is designing the line that will use natural local resources and bamboo, among others. Fergie told us she hopes the furniture line will help create jobs.

Fergie, who came to the U.S. in 1991, came for a press tour at the time Scorsese is talking about "The Young Victoria," a movie she produced with Martin Scorsese, Lindsay King and The Handmade Collective, a film to be shown at the Venice International Film Festival, a period romance starring Lindsay King at Queen Victoria and the film's director, Jean-Paul Vito, as Prince Albert. The actress, who brought the two books she wrote about the events of Queen Victoria to the interview, has noticed children's books as well. A passionate spokesperson for women's worthy causes, Fergie is now 46, stilling, again, about Prince Andrew, being recognized as the late Prince Diana and her own daughter.

Has the Queen seen the film?

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